

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Burley Wilson, treasured residents of Buffalo, Missouri, will commemorate the splendid occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary on December 24, 2003; and

Whereas, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord on December 24, 1943, Burley Wilson and Jean Vest began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony officiated by the Reverend Charles Johnstone in the Christian Church Parsonage in Buffalo; and

Whereas, attendants for the happy couple were Cecile Kahler Cheek and Ruby Strickland, both of whom looked on with delight as Burley and Jean took their sacred wedding vows; and

Whereas, a proud father and caring husband who spends time fishing with his sons, Mr. Wilson provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as a Journeyman Electrician for forty years, during which time he distinguished himself as the first electrician to work on Table Rock Dam; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Mrs. Wilson enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as an organist with Whelchel Funeral Chapel in Branson; and

Whereas, charter members of the Bible Baptist Church in Buffalo, Burley and Jean Wilson attribute their sixty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their three children, Sharon Weinkauff, Tommie Joe Wilson, and Robert Dale Wilson; and their nine grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, with the words of the Lord to guide their way, Burley and Jean Wilson have remained devoted life partners and have put forth a tremendous amount of effort to ensure the sanctity of the vows they took so very long ago:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in a thunderous round of applause for Burley and Jean Wilson upon the glorious celebration of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them tremendous peace, prosperity, and contentment as they proudly begin their seventh decade of wedded success and happiness; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Burley Wilson, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Larry D. Wilson
District No. 119

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and

correct copy of House Resolution No. 4849, adopted
December 16, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker